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REMARKS

Claim 1 as amended calls for converting the stream left after removing motion vectors to analog data and then abck to digital prior to a compression block.

The Office Action notes that the cited reference to Chen does not teach anything of the sort. Instead, it notes that the reference to Washino does teach providing outputs from a signal processor in the form of either digital or analog data. While this may be so, there is no suggestion of converting to analog and then back to digital before compression.


It is believed that the objection to claim 6 has been cured by canceling the claim.

Claim 24 calls for encoding an analog stream from a decoder which is not taught in any cited reference.

Therefore, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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